

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hajime ICHIMURA et al.

Title: METHOD FOR EVALUATING GRAPHITE STRUCTURE OF GRAY
CAST IRON, EVALUATION PROGRAM RECORDING MEDIUM, AND
EVALUATION SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: